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### OUR COLLECTOR AND THE CHINESE.

Treasury officials have been looking into the custom house affairs at Burlington, in connection with the smuggling of Chinese into this country, and it is gratifying to note that the result of the examination is creditable to Collector Smalley. Supervising Agent Crowley states that there is "no evidence to suggest, much less to prove, that the officials of the customs house were engaged in the practice of admitting these fraudulent immigrants contrary to law. Our examination of the office relieved both Collector Smalley and his subordinates from blame in this regard and we found the accounts of the office all right."

Quite a flurry was created a short time ago by rumors that the Vermont customs officials had been lax in their duty with reference to the Chinese question, and it will be a relief to all concerned to have an authoritative statement to the contrary from special agents of the administration.

### A HOPEFUL COTEMPORARY.

The Boston Post does not see any great significance in the recent elections in Vermont and Maine. It believes that "the November elections will be decided much as other elections have been decided, and any republicans who take stock in the talk of a twenty-five per cent reduction of the democratic vote will be surprised when the votes are counted."

The extraction of any comfort out of the elections in the two states named is a feat which only the most sanguine mind could accomplish; but it seems very probable that a large surprise will be given the Post "when the votes are counted."

Japan seems determined to press on vigorously toward China's capital, and is preparing for a hot attack on her enemy. An order for eighty thousand more troops is proof of her purpose, and the recent decisive victory over the Chinese forces leads to the belief that the latter nation is no match for her more civilized opponent. The European powers talk seriously of interfering with the further progress of the war; and unless such action is taken Japan will apparently have her own way in dealing out discipline to her foe. Koreans are happy over the success that has thus far attended the Japanese army, and the King of Korea has very lately taken occasion to render special homage to the mikado as the deliverer of his little kingdom.

When the legislature opens a contest will be made over the appointment of adjutant and inspector general. There seems no particular reason why Gen. T. S. Peck of Burlington should not be re-elected except that somebody else wants the office. The long and faithful service of Gen. Peck entitles him to another term and his many friends on this side of the state hope to see him re-elected.

Breckinridge has decided to accept the inevitable, and will not contest the nomination of Owens in the Ashland district of Kentucky. The defeated candidate is wise in his decision. Under existing circumstances, the making an additional spectacle of himself in a push for congressional honors, in spite of a popular verdict against him, would be an extremely foolish move. Retirement to private life is what is demanded of him just now.

Has anybody noticed any hole where Senator Jones of Nevada went out of the republican party?—[Springfield Union.]

Did anybody ever notice the size of the hole where a stone was thrown into a pond, or how long the ripple lasted?

Chicago has a spasm of virtue, and Mayor Hopkins has ordered all the gambling houses closed. Now if this virtue would only become chronic with the World's Fair city!

Connecticut democrats have nominated Ernest Cady for governor by a good lead over the only other candidate.

Milton P. June of Brandon, a wealthy farmer, aged about 65 years, dropped dead on the street in Rutland on Friday afternoon.

### A FINE INSTITUTION.

A good many Vermont people know that Rev. Chas. A. Dickinson, who is doing a grand work in connection with Berkeley Temple, in Boston, has instituted the "Kurn Hattin" Home for Boys, in the historic old town of Westminster, in Windham county; but comparatively few Vermonters know what a good work the Home is already doing, and how much it may come to mean to the people of the whole state.

Situated upon an elevated piece of ground some two miles from the village, and commanding a superb view of the surrounding country, the building occupied by the Home is admirably suited to the purpose:—light, well ventilated rooms, convenient in arrangement, finished and furnished in a way to teach effective lessons in cleanliness and refinement, and well calculated to be, in every respect, a home for the waifs who find shelter there. The institution is in the charge of Mr. and Mrs. Benj. F. Moore, who have had extended experience in that line of work, and who watch carefully over the physical, intellectual and moral needs of the boys.

The Home has been legally incorporated, and on Thursday evening last a meeting of the directors was held there to consider the details of management and plan for the continued successful conduct of this noble enterprise—saving the boys. It was voted to put a financial agent into the field in order that the needs of the Home, and the merits of the special line along which it proposes to operate, may be brought directly before the people of Vermont, New Hampshire and northern Massachusetts. The directors were of but one mind regarding the Home—namely, that it has limitless opportunities before it, and that a cordial response by the people of the territory named will make possible a beneficence whose influence cannot be measured. There are at present eight boys at the Home, and it needs but a glance at their bright faces to interest the visitor and convince him that such boys as these are worth saving. The Home is entirely a philanthropic institution; the founder, Mr. Dickinson, is deeply interested in its success, and has given, and is giving, largely of his means and influence to that end. It is proposed that boys, partially or wholly orphans, between say the ages of five and twelve, shall be provided with the advantages of a home until they are able to do something for themselves, care being taken to develop in them such qualities of mind and heart as will fit them for useful careers. The officers chosen under the act of incorporation are as follows:

President—W. J. Van Patten of Burlington.  
Vice presidents—Rev. Chas. A. Dickinson of Boston, Rev. G. H. DeBrevoise of Keene, N. H.  
Trustees—C. W. Osgood and N. G. Williams of Bellows Falls, Roswell Farnham of Bradford, Stephen Nutting of Westminster.  
Executive committee—E. G. Osgood of Bellows Falls, M. J. Norris of Burlington, C. H. Thompson of Brattleboro, J. W. Sault of St. Johnsbury, Rev. J. H. Babbitt of West Brattleboro.  
Auditor—F. I. Lane of Westminster.  
Secretary and treasurer—B. F. Moore.

We believe that Vermont people—young and old—will become more and more interested in this Home, and be willing to give cheerfully towards its maintenance.

### NEWPORT NEWS.

#### EDUCATIONAL REPAIRS.

Extensive repairs, amounting to \$1000 or more, have been made upon the school house in the village. It has been painted throughout, inside and out; connection has been made with sewer, and convenient closets built in the cellar. These closets are after the pattern of the Union school house in St. Johnsbury and give promise of working admirably. The school is now in successful operation, having five departments beside an assistant for the principal. A new feature has been added—music being taught in all the grades by an experienced teacher.

#### A COURSE OF TEN ENTERTAINMENTS.

The lecture course for the coming winter has been completed. Ten fine entertainments have been secured. The course will open Oct. 30, with a lecture by Dr. Willets, who so highly pleased our people last winter. His subject will be "The Model Wife." Instead of opening as usual with a concert, it is thought this subject may tend to stir up the ladies at the outset in such a way as to admirably advertise the entire course. Among the rest of the course are the Schubert Quartette of Chicago, the Lotus Glee Club, Kelley's Tableaux d'Art, John Temple Graves, Dr. MacKenzie, Byron Williams on our "New Navy," Lt. Gov. Giddings of Michigan, Lewis' Passion Play, with Ladies' Schubert Club, and C. H. Fraser, a noted Western orator. The prospect is, the best course ever furnished our people. The auction sale of seats will take place on the evening of October 29th.

IN COUNTY COURT—A JURY'S REMARKABLE DEED.

County court is in session, now on its fourth week. In criminal matters,

one man has been sent to the house of correction for one month, with fine of \$15.00, for selling liquor. He pleaded guilty to one second offense. Another was sent for two months for stealing some clothing from the Arlington House, where he stopped over night. He was captured and after remaining here in jail some six months, pleaded guilty to charge of petit larceny.

In one respect, as an old darkey wisely remarked, "The world do move." A jury here has agreed and found an offender guilty of intoxication. "Jack" Beede of Albany appealed to the county court, and his trial took up two days. There were the usual witnesses that swore he was drunk. Jack said he was not, and put on certain evidence to show he was not. The jury at first were divided, but at length rendered a verdict of guilty. An incident in this trial showed very plainly what class of men the defence wanted or did not want as jurymen. In examining one of the jurors, the counsel for the respondent asked the juror if he was a member of the Law and Order League at North Troy. On receiving a firm and prompt affirmative answer, the lawyer promptly replied, "You are excused." Too bad, that an otherwise fully competent juror should be thus disqualified by an open, honest endorsement of temperance, virtue and good order.

#### ON TRIAL FOR MURDER.

The case of State vs. Abner G. Cram and James Bowe, for murder of Isaac Miles, is now on trial. Your readers will remember the disappearance of Miles in November last, the finding a body badly decomposed last April, under a pile of lumber in the mill yard at Greensboro Bend. Cram and Bowe were arrested on suspicion, and held for the grand jury. That body found an indictment against them at the recent session, and the trial commenced this week. Four hours were consumed in selecting a jury, thirty-two being examined before a full panel was secured. The jury are: H. H. Day and A. M. Gray of Coventry; C. C. Wheeler and C. P. Hunt of Troy; G. A. Hodgkins, Westfield; C. E. Bailey, Irasburgh; Chas. H. Jones of Barton; A. H. Daggett, Morgan; Chas. C. Davis, Newport; Clark Royce, Charleston; A. W. Willey, Brownington; Lot Edwards, Derby. The counsel are State's Attorney W. W. Miles of Barton and John Young of Newport, for state; H. F. Graham of Craftsbury for Cram, H. C. Bates of St. Johnsbury for Bowe, and J. W. Redmond, Newport, assistant.

The steamer "Lady of the Lake" has finished her summer work. She has had a little better season than last year. There is talk of taking her out of the water this fall, that a thorough examination may be made of her hull.

### RECORD OF THE WEEK.

#### Thursday.

Republican state convention at Spokane, Wash.—Forty-five thousand Japanese soldiers marching on Moukden, capital of a Chinese province.—The strike of the garment workers at Newark, N. J., has ended, and 2000 strikers resume work Monday. It is a victory for the employees.—The roof of a school building in Naples collapsed, burying 20 children in the wreckage. The dead bodies of several were taken out.—The federal grand jury have returned indictments against four ex-postmasters of Birmingham, Ala., on the charge of embezzlement of post office funds.—Mayor Hopkins of Chicago has issued an order closing all gambling houses in the city.

#### Friday.

A terrible cyclone passed over portions of Iowa and Minnesota, destroying buildings and causing the loss of several lives.—The sovereign grand lodge, I. O. O. F., in session at Chattanooga, Tenn., considered legislation on the admission of women to the order through the Rebecca lodge. The new legislation admits all Odd Fellows' wives, and all white women over 18 years of age who believe in the ruler of the universe.—Advices from Bogota announce the death of President Nunez of the republic of Columbia, on the 18th.—A great many women clerks are being discharged from the government offices in Washington.

#### Saturday.

France has a scheme for joining the Atlantic and Mediterranean.—Fifty persons killed by an earthquake in Los Andes, Venezuela.—A battle monument unveiled at Plattsburgh with imposing ceremonies.—A special train over the Seaboard Air Line N. C., made 80 miles in 80 minutes.—Owing to the numerous applications of Americans for positions in the Japanese army, the Japanese minister at Washington has been obliged to issue a printed circular declining their services.—The Sun's weekly Yokohama letter says that Japan has decided to prosecute the war with all possible vigor before winter. Orders have been issued for 80,000 more troops to start for the front immediately.

#### Sunday.

Lives lost in a hotel fire at Port Stanley, Ohio.—Florida visited by a tropical hurricane.—Ten stores burned at Tomah, Wis.—Several buildings burned at South Newmarket, N. H.—Fatal riot at a congressional campaign rally at Gallinburg, Tenn.—Several religious pilgrims injured in a train wreck near Valencia, Spain.—A Malden, Mass., man fined \$300 and sentenced to five months in jail for illegal liquor selling.

#### Wednesday.

In the great stallion race at Mystic park yesterday Directum won three heats with Arion second, and Nelson third. Time 2.12, 2.10, 2.11.—The New York state democratic convention stampeded and Senator Hill nominated for governor.

The anniversary of the establishing of the Boston Sunday Journal is to be celebrated by that paper in a very pleasing way. Next Sunday a thirty-two page paper will be issued, inclosed in a finely colored cover, prepared expressly for the Journal at a cost of \$1500, and containing many novel features.

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